

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF CORRECTIONS MEETING MARCH 8, 2005

The Hall County Board of Corrections met from general session and by published call.

9:30 a.m. Rye made a motion and Humiston seconded to go into a board of corrections meeting. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Bob Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Members present were Scott Arnold, Jim Eriksen, Dick Hartman, Bob Humiston, Bud Jeffries, Pamela Lancaster and Bob Rye. Also present was Corrections Director Dave Arnold.

CORRECTIONS DIRECTORS REPORT – Corrections Director Dave Arnold was present he stated that the daily average has been 115 inmates. Over the last two months they have booked 692 people and the offense report shows the breakdown and the total offenses are 1300 for the period. He reviewed the arrest breakdown and noted that the arrests for 2005 are 50 or 60 over last year. Also included is the report from Emmett Arnett on the outside worker report. He also stated that the inside trustees painted the old work release area where the smoke handling system is currently being installed. He also included the February and March hosing report and the administrative officer's report.

He also updated the board on the Social Security Administration's Inmate Incentive Payment Program. The purpose of this program is to alert the Social Security Administration that an individual receiving SSI has been incarcerated. Inmates cannot receive SSI benefits or Title II benefits if they are incarcerated. The Corrections Department provides the Social Security Administration information from their database containing the names of individuals who have been incarcerated. They review this information and send verification reports to the Corrections Department. The Social Security Administration pays the Corrections department \$400.00 for inmate information reported in 30 days and \$200.00 for information reported after 30 days but within 90 days. To date the Corrections department has submitted \$6,500.00 to the General Fund.

He also included a letter from the Hall County Chaplaincy Corps requesting a donation of \$100.00 for their services. Arnold questioned if a Department can make a donation like this. Discussion was held and the Corp has received keno funding every year and Lancaster stated that is not the practice that county departments make contributions.

Arnold noted that the daily average population can have peaks and it is important to consider this. Some weekends they may book in 30 or 40 people and this is a difficult population to control because it is not know if they are rivals and they are not classified. It is difficult to separate them because of the space limitation. Dave Arnold stated that it is not uncommon to have 20 people in a cell that is designed for 8.

Jeffries questioned the number of contempt of court and Arnold stated that this could be child support cases he also questioned the holds for transport. Arnold stated that this could be holds for other agencies.

Lancaster questioned the jail tours. Arnold stated the tours can be held within the quarters whenever the meetings fall.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PERSONNEL – Eriksen made a motion and Jeffries seconded to go into executive session regarding personnel. Arnold Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

9:45 a.m. executive session

10:05 recessed the executive session to hold the bid opening.

11:50 a.m. returned to executive session for the board of corrections meeting.

12:22 Jeffries made a motion and Arnold seconded to go out of executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

12:23 Arnold made a motion and Jeffries seconded to go out of the board of corrections meeting. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Returned to regular session.

Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk